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For: MULTI-WAVELENGTH GENERATING METHOD AND APPARATUS
BASED ON FLATTENING OF OPTICAL SPECTRUM

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 6, 2003 in which restriction between the inventions of Group I, II and III was required.

Applicant elects the invention of Group II, Claims 13-44 and 64-151 drawn to a multi-wavelength generating apparatus wherein incident light of a single central wavelength is converted to a multi-wavelength light having a plurality of central wavelengths without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter covered in the non-elected claims 1-12 and 50-63; and 45-49, 152 and 153.

A favorable action is respectfully requested.

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